



THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner : HARVEY E. BEHREND  
Group Art Unit 3641 :  
In re Application of : GRID INSERT FOR THE  
PATRICK A. HELLANDBRAND, JR. : LOWERMOST GRID IN A FUEL  
Serial No. 10/828,979 : FUEL ASSEMBLY  
Filed 04/21/2004 : Attorney Docket No. ARF 2004-004

**AMENDMENT**

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June 29, 2005

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action dated February 11, 2005, the time for response being by May 11, 2005. This amendment is accompanied by a Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time along with the fee of \$450, extending the time for response to July 11, 2005. The United States Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to charge any required fees or underpayments of fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account Number 02-02556 of Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC.

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